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H. R. 3542

To provide greater access to high quality distance education programs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 27, 2000

Mrs. JONES of Ohio (for herself, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. DIXON, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RUSH, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. LEE, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. CARSON, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. BISHOP, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD, Ms. NORTON, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. WYNN, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. DeLAURO, Mrs. TAUSCHER, and Mr. BOYD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

A BILL

To provide greater access to high quality distance education programs.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Greater Access to Dis-
5 tance Education Act of 2000”.

1 **SEC. AMENDMENTS TO DISTANCE EDUCATION DEM-**
2 **ONSTRATION PROGRAMS.**

3 Section 486 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20
4 U.S.C. 1093) is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a)—

6 (A) by striking “and” at the end of para-
7 graph (2);

8 (B) by striking the period at the end of
9 paragraph (3) and inserting “; and”; and

10 (C) by adding at the end the following new
11 paragraph:

12 “(4) to provide greater access to high quality
13 distance education programs and orientation to dis-
14 tance education for adults, students, and under-
15 served persons who traditionally have had little or no
16 computer knowledge or training.”;

17 (2) in subsection (c)(2)—

18 (A) by striking “and” at the end of sub-
19 paragraph (E);

20 (B) by redesignating subparagraph (F) as
21 subparagraph (G); and

22 (C) by inserting after subparagraph (E)
23 the following new subparagraph:

24 “(F) a description of the orientation or
25 other training programs that the institution,
26 system, or consortium will offer to assure great-

1 er access to the distance education program for
2 adults, students, and underserved persons who
3 traditionally have had little or no computer
4 knowledge or training; and” and
5 (3) in subsection (f)(2)—

6 (A) by striking “; and” at the end of sub-
7 paragraph (C);

8 (B) by striking the period at the end of
9 subparagraph (D) and inserting “; and”; and

10 (C) by adding at the end the following new
11 subparagraph:

12 “(E) the extent to which the orientation or
13 other training programs that the institution,
14 system, or consortium offers will assure greater
15 access to the distance education program for
16 adults, students, and underserved persons who
17 traditionally have had little or no computer
18 knowledge or training.”.

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